

# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Joseph ROBERTS et al.

Title:

GENETICALLY ENGINEERED GLUTAMINASE AND ITS USE

IN ANTIVIRAL AND ANTICANCER THERAPY

Appl. No.:

09/842,628

Filing Date:

4/27/2001

Examiner:

Timothy M. Brown

Art Unit:

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### **TERMINAL DISCLAIMER**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Your Petitioners, ME Medical Enzymes AG, having its principal place of business at Neugasse 44, CH-9001, St Gallen, Switzerland, and Joseph Roberts of 6 Sunturf Circle, Columbia, South Carolina, respectively, represent that they are each 50% owners of the entire right, title, and interest in and to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/842,628, filed 4/27/2001, which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/050,482, filed 4/25/1995, by virtue of Assignments filed and recorded on 2/1/1993, on Reel/Frame 6516/0295 and 6516/0292, in the United States Patent and Trademark Office, copies of which are attached hereto as APPENDIX B. Further, your Petitioners represent that they are each 50% owners of U.S. Patent No. 6,312,939, which issued on U.S. Patent Application No. 08/050,482, filed April 25, 1995, by virtue of Assignments filed and recorded on February 1, 1993, on Reel/Frame 6516/0295 and 6516/0292, in the United States Patent and Trademark

Office, a copies of which are attached hereto as APPENDIX B.

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Your Petitioners, ME Medical Enzymes AG and Joseph Roberts, hereby disclaim the terminal part of the term of any patent granted on the above identified patent application which would extend beyond the full statutory term, as shortened by any terminal disclaimer, of U.S. Patent 6,312,939, and hereby agree that any patent so granted on the above identified patent application shall be enforceable only for and during such period that the legal title to U.S. Patent 6,312,939 shall be the same as the legal title to any patent granted on the above identified patent application, this agreement to run with any patent granted on the above identified patent application and to be binding upon the grantee, its successors or assigns.

In making the above disclaimer, Petitioners do not disclaim any terminal part of any patent granted on the above identified patent application, prior to the full statutory term of U.S. Patent 6,312,939 as defined in 35 U.S.C. §§154-156 and 173, in the event that U.S. Patent 6,312,939 expires for failure to pay a maintenance fee, is held unenforceable or is found invalid in a final judgment by a court of competent jurisdiction, is statutorily disclaimed in whole or terminally disclaimed under 37 CFR §1.321(a), has all claims canceled by a reexamination certificate or as a result of an interference proceeding, or is otherwise not deemed to provide the rights conveyed by 35 USC §154, prior to the full statutory term of U.S. Patent 6,312,939 as defined in 35 USC §§154-156 and 173, except for the separation of legal title stated above. Further, Petitioners do not disclaim any terminal part of a patent granted on the above identified patent application that would extend beyond the present termination of U.S. Patent 6,312,939, in the event that such present term is extended by virtue of compliance with the conditions for term extension of any present or future patent term extension provisions of the patent law, including but not limited to 35 U.S.C. §§155, 155A or 156, and without waiving Petitioners' right to extend the term of a patent granted on the above identified patent application to the extent provided by law.

The undersigned, being the Attorney of Record for the above identified patent application, and duly authorized to act on behalf of Petitioners, certifies that he has reviewed the Assignments attached as APPENDIX B, and to the best of his knowledge and belief, legal title to the above identified patent application and U.S. Patent 6,312,939 rests with Petitioners, ME Medical Enzymes AG and Joseph Roberts. The undersigned declares that all

statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001, Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the above-identified application or any patent issuing therefrom.

Respectfully submitted,

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ASSIGNOR:

ROBERTS, JOSEPH

RECORDATION DATE: 02/01/93 NUMBER OF PAGES 003 REEL/FRAME 6516/0295

DIGEST :

ASSIGNOR DOES HEREBY ASSIGNS TO ASSIGNEE A 50% INTEREST (SEE RECORDS FOR DETAILS)

ASSIGNEE:

ME MEDICAL ENZYMES AG A CORP OF SWITZERLAND NEUGASSE 44, CH-9001 ST GALLEN, SWITZERLAND

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	) Attn: Assignment Branch
Joseph Roberts et al	•)•
Serial No.: To be assigned (PCT/US92/10421)	
Filed: December 4, 1992	) Atty. Docket No. 0100.041200

GENETICALLY ENGINEERED GLUTAMINASE

AND ITS USE IN ANTIVIRAL AND ANTICANCER THERAPY

#### ASSIGNMENT RECORDATION

The Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Attached is the Assignment document of Joseph Roberts, conveying his rights, title and interest in and to the one above-referenced application to ME Medical Enzymes AG of Neugasse 44, CH-9001 St. Gallen, Switzerland which was executed on December 18, 1992 for recordal in the United States Patent and Trademark Office. Our check in the amount of \$40.00 is attached to cover the assignment recordation fee. However, if there is any variance between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges, please charge or credit any difference to our Deposit Account No. 19-0733. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached for this purpose.

Please forward all communications regarding the request to record this Assignment document to the undersigned attorney-of-record. 40.00 CK

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To the best of my knowledge and belief, the information contained herein is true and correct.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah A. Kagan

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Date: February 01, 1993

# <u>ASSIGNMENT</u>

WHEREAS, I, Joseph Roberts, a citizen of Canada, residing at 6 Sumurf Circle, Columbia, South Carolina, have jointly invented along with Thomas W. MacAllister, citizen of the United States, Natarajan Sethuraman, citizen of India, and Abbie G. Freeman, citizen of the United States, certain new and useful improvements in GENETICALLY ENGINEERED GLUTAMINASE AND ITS USE IN ANTIVIRAL AND ANTICANCER THERAPY for which an application for Letters Patent will be filed in the U.S. receiving office of the Patent Cooperation Treaty on or before December 4, 1992; and

WHEREAS, Thomas W. MacAllister, Natarajan Sethuraman, and Abbie G. Freeman have assigned to me their entire right, title, and interest in and to any and all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor in the United States and its territorial possession and in any and all foreign countries and in and to any and all divisions, reissues, continuations and extensions thereof on <u>November 19.1992</u>;

WHEREAS, ME Medical Enzymes AG, a corporation duly organized under the laws of Switzerland and having a place of business in Neugasse 44, CH-9001 St. Gallen, is desirous of acquiring 50% of the entire right, title and interest in and to the aforesaid invention and in and to any Letters Patent of the United States or any foreign country which may be granted therefor;

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, I, the said Joseph Roberts, by these presents do sell, assign, and transfer unto ME Medical Enzymes AG, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, 50% of the full and exclusive right to the said invention as described in the said application, and 50% of the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries and in and to any and all divisions, reissues, continuations and extensions thereof;

AND I HEREBY authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks or any other proper officer or agency of any country to issue all said Letters Patent documents jointly to said Joseph Roberts and ME Medical Enzymes AG;

AND I HEREBY warrant and covenant that I have full right to convey 50% of the entire interest herein assigned and that I have not executed and will not execute any instrument or assignment in conflict herewith:

AND I HEREBY agree to communicate to ME Medical Enzymes AG or its representatives any facts known to me respecting said invention, to execute all divisional, continuation, reissue and foreign applications, sign all lawful documents and make all rightful caths relating to said invention, and to testify in any judicial or administrative proceeding and generally do everything possible to aid the said assignee to obtain and enforce said Letters Patent in the United States or any foreign country when requested so to do by said assignee.

	IN WITNESS WHEREO	F, I have hereunto set my hand and seal.	
Date: Du	18, 1992 Inventor:	Joseph Roberts	
STATE OF SC	OUTH CAROLINA ) ) ss )		
On this <u>INTH</u> day of <u>DECEMBER</u> 1992, before me a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared Joseph Roberts to me known and known to me to be the person of the name, who signed and sealed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged the same to be his free act and deed.			
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Serial No.: 08/050,482 : Attorney Docket No. 23032/106

Filed: April 25, 1995

For: GENETICALLY ENGINEERED GLUTAMINASE AND ITS

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## CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

<u>Joseph Roberts</u>, an <u>inventor</u>, certifies that he is the assignee of 50 percent of the entire right, title and interest in the patent application identified above by virtue of either:

A. [] An assignment from the inventors of the patent application identified above. The assignment was recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office at Reel \_\_\_\_\_, Frame \_\_\_\_\_, or for which a copy thereof is attached.

OR

- B. [X] A chain of title from the inventors of the patent application identified above to the current assignees as shown below:
  - 1. From: Thomas W. MacAllister, Natarajan Sethuraman, and Abbie G. Freeman To: Joseph Roberts

The document was recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office at Reel  $\underline{6516}$ , Frame  $\underline{292}$ , or for which a copy thereof is attached.

2. From: Joseph Roberts To: ME MEDICAL ENZYMES AG

The document conveyed 50 percent of the right, title, and interest and was recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 6516, Frame 295, or for which a copy thereof is attached.

[ ] Additional documents in the chain of title are listed on a supplemental sheet.

[X] Copies of Assignments or other documents in the chain of title are attached.

The undersigned has reviewed all the documents in the chain of title of the patent application identified above, and, to the best of the undersigned's knowledge and belief, title is in the assignee identified above.

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to sign this certificate on behalf of the assignee.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and, further, that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements, and the like so made, are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001, Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Date:	October 28, 1998	·	<u></u>	
Name:	Joseph Roberts	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Title:	Inventor and Owner		<del></del>	
Signature:	Joseph Roberts			-



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Date: February 01, 1993

# ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, WE, Thomas W. MacAllister, citizen of the United States of America, residing at 308 E. Meadow Court, Columbia, South Carolina 29210; Natarajan Sethuraman, citizen of India, residing at 1340 Long Creek Drive #713, Columbia, South Carolina 29210; and Abbie G. Freeman, citizen of the United States of America, residing at 1538 Lonsford Road, Columbia, South Carolina 29206, having jointly invented along with Joseph Roberts, citizen of Canada, certain new and useful improvements in GENETICALLY ENGINEERED GLUTAMINASE AND ITS USE IN ANTIVIRAL AND ANTICANCER THERAPY for which an application for Letters Patent will be filed in the U.S. receiving office of the Patent Cooperation Treaty on or before December 4, 1992; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Roberts, citizen of Canada, residing at 6 Sumurf Circle, Columbia, South Carolina 29223, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the aforesaid invention and in and to any Letters Patent of the United States or any foreign country which may be granted therefor;

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, we, the said Thomas W. MacAllister, Natarajan Sethuraman, and Abbie G. Freeman, by these presents do sell, assign, and transfer unto Joseph Roberts, his successors, legal representatives and assigns, our full and exclusive right to the said invention as described in the said application, and our entire right, title and interest in and to any and all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries and in and to any and all divisions, reissues, continuations and extensions thereof;

AND WE HEREBY authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks or any other proper officer or agency of any country to issue all said Letters Patent to said assignee;

AND WE HEREBY warrant and covenant that we have full right to convey our entire interest herein assigned and that we have not executed and will not execute any instrument or assignment in conflict herewith;

AND WE HEREBY agree to communicate to said assignee or his representatives any facts known to us respecting said invention, to execute all divisional, continuation, reissue and foreign applications, sign all lawful documents and make all rightful oaths relating to said invention, and to testify in any judicial or administrative proceeding and generally do everything possible to aid the said assignee to obtain and enforce said Letters Patent in the United States or any foreign country when requested so to do by said assignee.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto sex, our hand and seal.

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COUNTY OF LEXTNGTON	, ) ss )	
Freeman to me known and kno	wn to me to	VENBER, 1992, before me a Notary Public in and for the red Thomas W. MacAllister, Natarajan Sethuraman, and Abbie G. to be the persons of those names, who signed and sealed the same to be their free act and deed.
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